

First Unitarian of NJ

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 9th, 2020 - 5:00 PM- Meeting Held Via Zoom

Board Members in Attendance:

Chris Baglieri- President
Mike Sutterlin: Vice President
Sarah Muller-Robbins- Secretary
Kim Mitchell- Trustees
Guen Zucker- Trustee
Denise Soppas- Trustee
Cass Cochrane- Trustee
Minister Rev Ann Marie Absent

Board Members Absent:

Chalice Lighting and Reading – Chris

Everyone checked in.

Reading of Board Covenant (Invocation):

Meeting Agenda

Motion to Approve: Chris
Seconded by: Mike
All Approved

Consent Agenda

Art contacted Ann marie about adding First U
Motion to Approve: Mike
Second: Cass
All Approved

President's Report

President's Report: Chris working to set up lines of communication to work more smoothly, working with Charlie for access to accounts, partnering with Denise about 8th, communicate with Ann Marie about issues with congregants

Action Items from July 12th Board Meeting were Reviewed

New and old items remaining to be completed are listed in Action items at end of minutes
Denise: Rev Robin said they started talking to regional consultant, Pat INFante. Denise reached out to that person and waiting to hear back. They brought to board meeting, Had educational sessions. Had topic in service. Chris received email from CER leadership team today. Chris will share that email with

Denise with info from other congregations. Issue to bring to congregation and voting. But a process would be good for us. Chris and Denise can invite others to zoom meetings and start the congregation. Set up structure to do the work. Can see sadness for those who have done with work for decades- maybe can integrate into the process and have them share- Pete, Carl, Chris and Denise to pick a day to meet.

Budget and Finance

Cass shared Statement of Financial Position and Budget for July 2020 (first month of new fiscal year). Discussion of request of a raise for Angela the bookkeeper. Will likely go over accounting budget, but not significantly. Will likely 3500 extra. 305 to 340 per month, which would come to 4080 for the year. Would lead to 1420 left for accounting for the years (quickbooks monthly fee).

Motion to approve the raise for Angela the bookkeeper, subject to the figures: Chris

Second: Mike

All approved

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Brief congregation meeting before next Announcement and announce for weeks before service.

Add to Board minute for the services- Kim next week.

Ann Marie to put into announcement in Society Pages and an email to all the members. Ann Marie to send through Breeze.

Chris will write up and send to Ann Marie. Shared by Kim in Board minute.

Guen will create a Google form for voting.

Chris and Denise to set up meeting

Ann Marie requested a check for ACCTNow it was \$480 from July. Mark Williams to match it. Mike to tell Mark Williams about the amount

Share the Plate Requests

a) August – Angels for Action – Sarah Muller-Robbins

b) September – ACLU Foundation – Sylvia Walker

Will need recommendations for October. Kim to add to Board minute next week. Ann Marie suggested Black Lives of UU

Move to designate BLUU as plate recipeint: Chris

Second: Kim

All in favor

Denise to reach out to Kimberly Johnson about speaking for BLUU

New Business

Board member responsible for September Board Meeting Chalice Lighting: Mike

Board minute speakers for August

- September 5:
- September 12:

Kim 16

Cass 23
Guen 30
Kim 6
Chris 13
Mike 9/20
Sarah
Denise
Mike

Next Meeting: September 13

Action Items from Meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 5:50 PM

Prepared By: Sarah Muller-Robbins